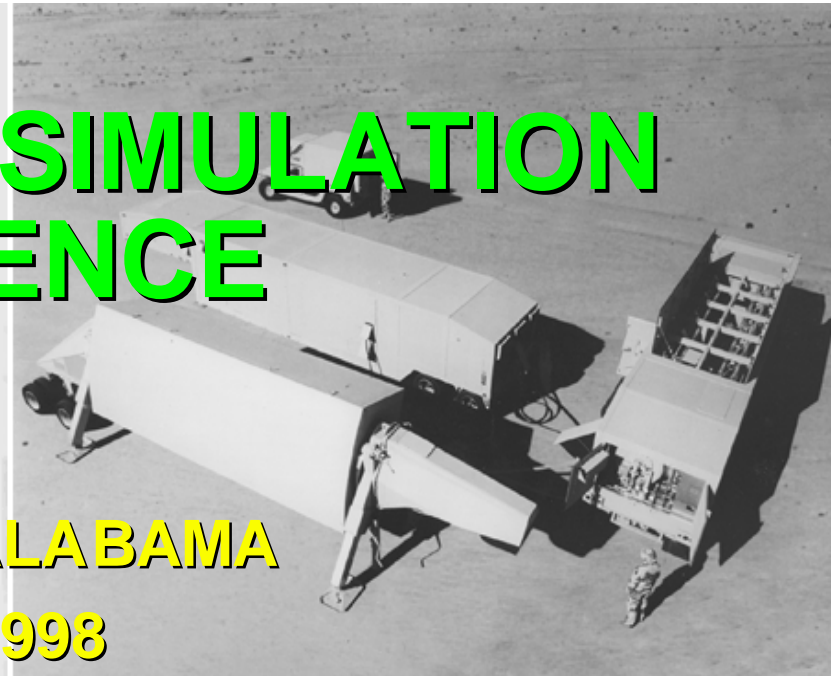


MODELING AND SIMULATION CONFERENCE

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HUNTSVILLE CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES



- **Common perspectives**
- **Exploit M&S potential**
- **Continue Dialogue**
- **Provide updated views on how the other services are embracing M&S**
- **Hear from PEO's about Progress and Impediments**
- **Emphasize your role**



Why do M&S?





M&S Could Have Predicted This!



“Costly new vehicle found to roll over at intended speeds.”

**New York Newsday
May 1, 1998**



MYTHS



- Operational testers won't use M&S
- M&S is cheap
- Testing and M&S are opposite ends of a balance scale

**TRUTH IS: M&S and testing are intertwined;
when they are not, neither is effective**



THE RATIONALE



Gain Early Understanding in Order to:

- Identify problems early
- Smooth transition between phases
- Achieve long-term savings
- Reduce cycle time

“M&S early in a program can be compared to a Warfighter’s preparation for the deep battle.”



CRADLE TO GRAVE APPLICATION



- **Combat development**
- **Engineering and manufacturing development**
- **Test and evaluation**
- **Training**
- **Sustainment**



**Modeling
&
Simulation**



MOD/SIM CHARACTERISTICS



- **Appropriate Realism (resolution) - more is not necessarily better**
- **Physics based (fundamental) - often called first principles modeling (which is a misnomer)**
- **Predictive - implies understanding of required and possible accuracy**
 - Quantifiable Error

Do what you have been doing better

Do what otherwise could not have been done at all

- **TMD/NMD**
- **Life Cycle impact of RAM**



EXAMPLES



- Predator (requirements refinement)
- Sealift (design)
- C-17 (design, TTPs)
- THAAD (test planning)
- F-22 (live fire simulation)





PREDATOR (REQUIREMENTS REFINEMENT)





BACKGROUND AND MOTIVATION

■ **“Presence” Key Performance Parameter (KPP)**

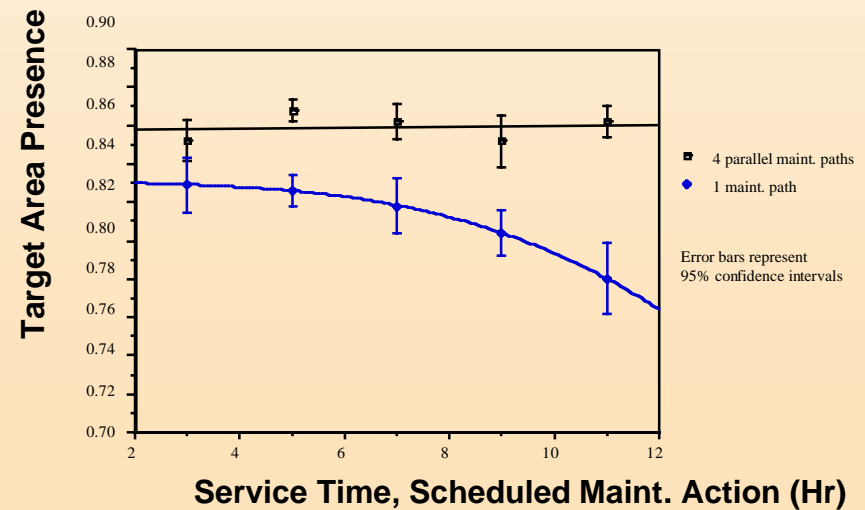
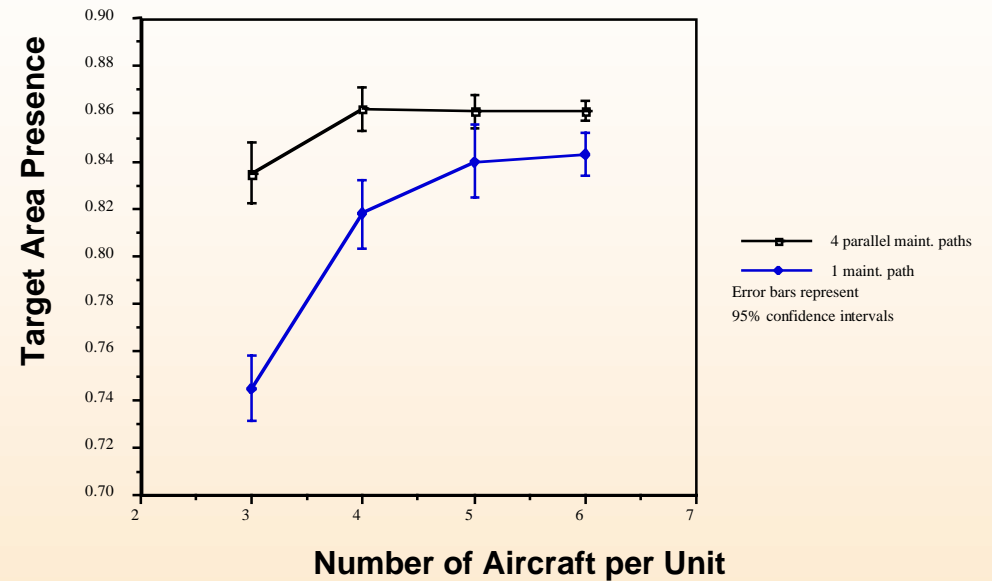
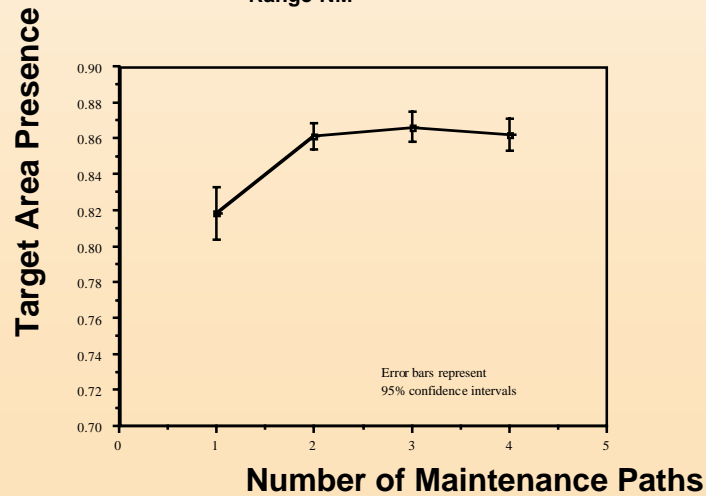
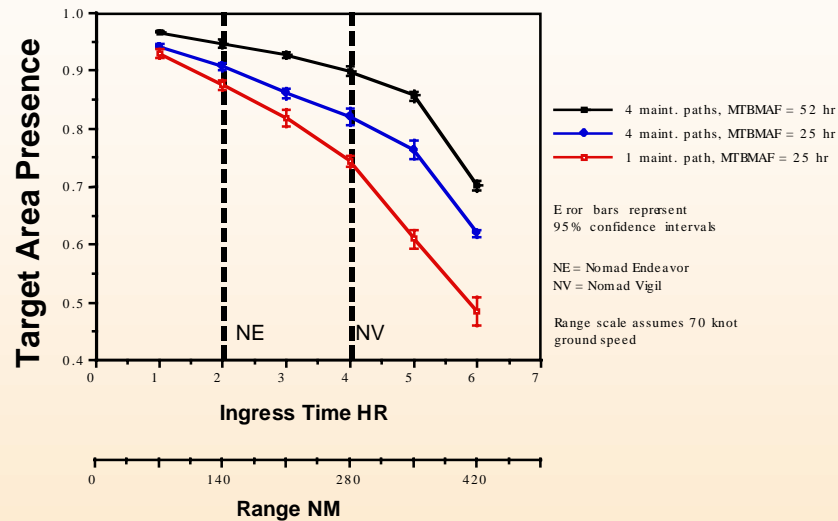
- “The baseline MAE UAV system must be capable of continuous (with on-station relief) 24 hour intelligence coverage of any target in the operating area.”

■ **Continuous target area coverage never before attempted with Predator**

- have not demonstrated simultaneous control of multiple air vehicles
- no typical operating range has been defined (CONOPS)



TARGET AREA PRESENCE





PROGRAM IMPACT

- **The simulation showed that ORD requirements would not be met by meeting technical specifications**
- **In addition, the simulation provided many insights for use in test planning and scoring**



ON GOING WORK

- **Develop Military Aircraft Sustainability Simulation - (MASS)**
- **Looking at**
 - Predator
 - High Altitude Endurance UAVs
 - E-6B TACAMO (In Progress)
 - JSTARS Platform Endurance



STRATEGIC SEALIFT (M&S IN DESIGN)





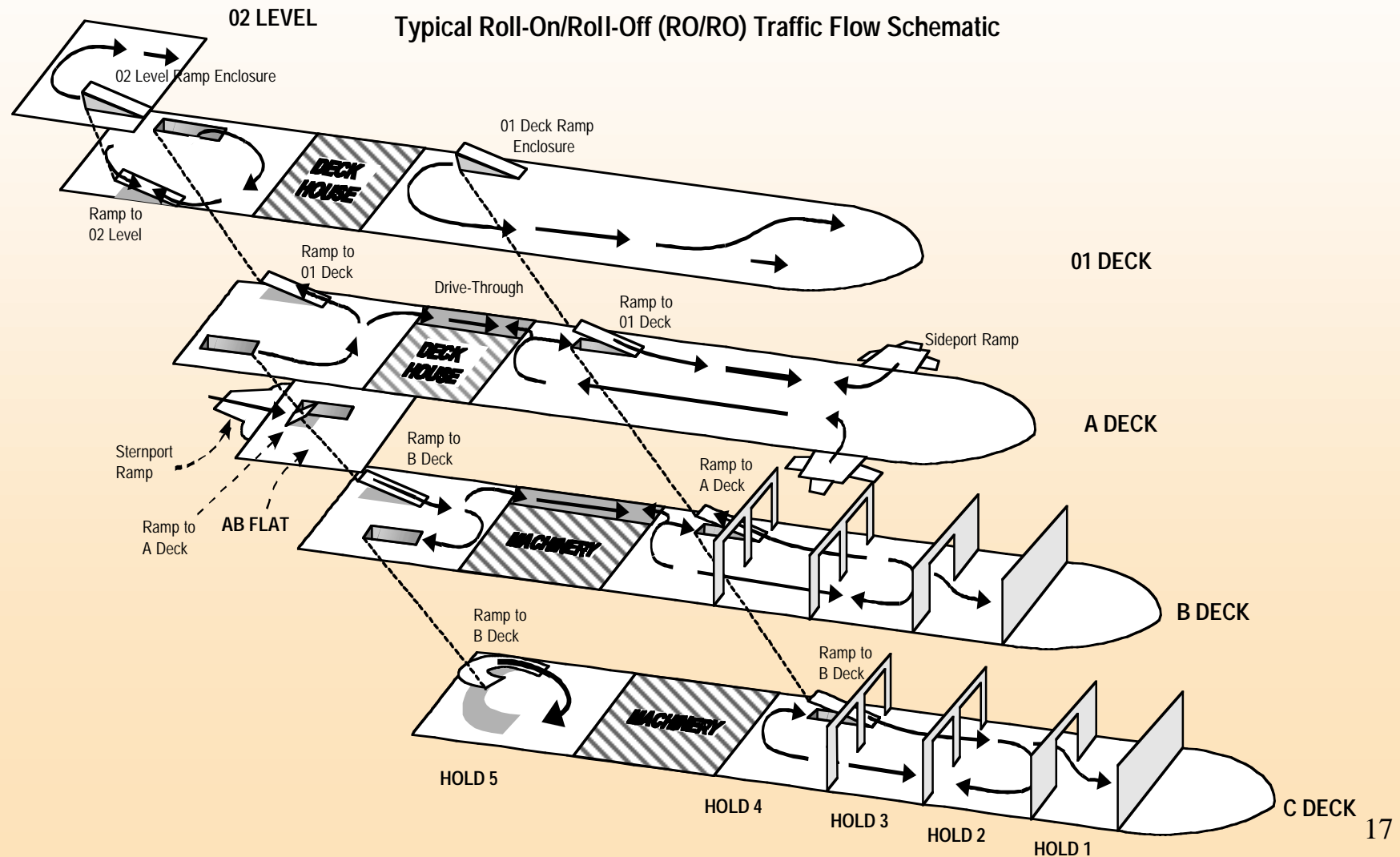
STRATEGIC SEALIFT RATE MODEL REQUIREMENT

The material developer needed to accomplish the following tasks in support of the Strategic Sealift Acquisition Program:

- Evaluate the cargo loading capability of proposed RO/RO ship designs for new construction and the conversion of existing ships;**
- Estimate the load performance (loading rate in pieces and square feet per hour) of the Strategic Sealift ships using operational loading criteria; and**
- Evaluate the ability of the designs to meet the 96 hour on-load/off-load requirement established by the Strategic Sealift operational requirements document (ORD).**



STRATEGIC SEALIFT SHIP DESIGN AND LOADING CHARACTERISTICS





CURRENT STATUS

Good progress using simulation, but tests still reveal problems

- **The USNS Watson Mission Critical Parameter Verification Test revealed that a ten ton ammo truck (M-977) could not make one of the turns on B Deck.**



C-17 AIRLIFT AIRCRAFT





BACKGROUND & MOTIVATION

■ USA Strategic Brigade Airdrop Mission

- Rapid delivery of paratroops and heavy equipment to a distant conflict. Mission performed by C-141

■ Deficiencies discovered in C-17 IOT&E

- Paratrooper entanglement/interference
- Turbulent air under C-17 tail and wake vortices
- Attempted fixes included reduced airspeed, changed flap settings, deck angle modification



ADM: #1 PRIORITY IN FOT&E

- **Flow field turbulence and convergence behind C-17 increase entanglement risk**
 - Limit airdrop options and configurations
 - Not identified in wind tunnel

- **Wake vortices upset/collapse parachute**
 - Vortices dictate new airdrop formations
 - Within- and between- element spacing
 - Initially inadequate data and models



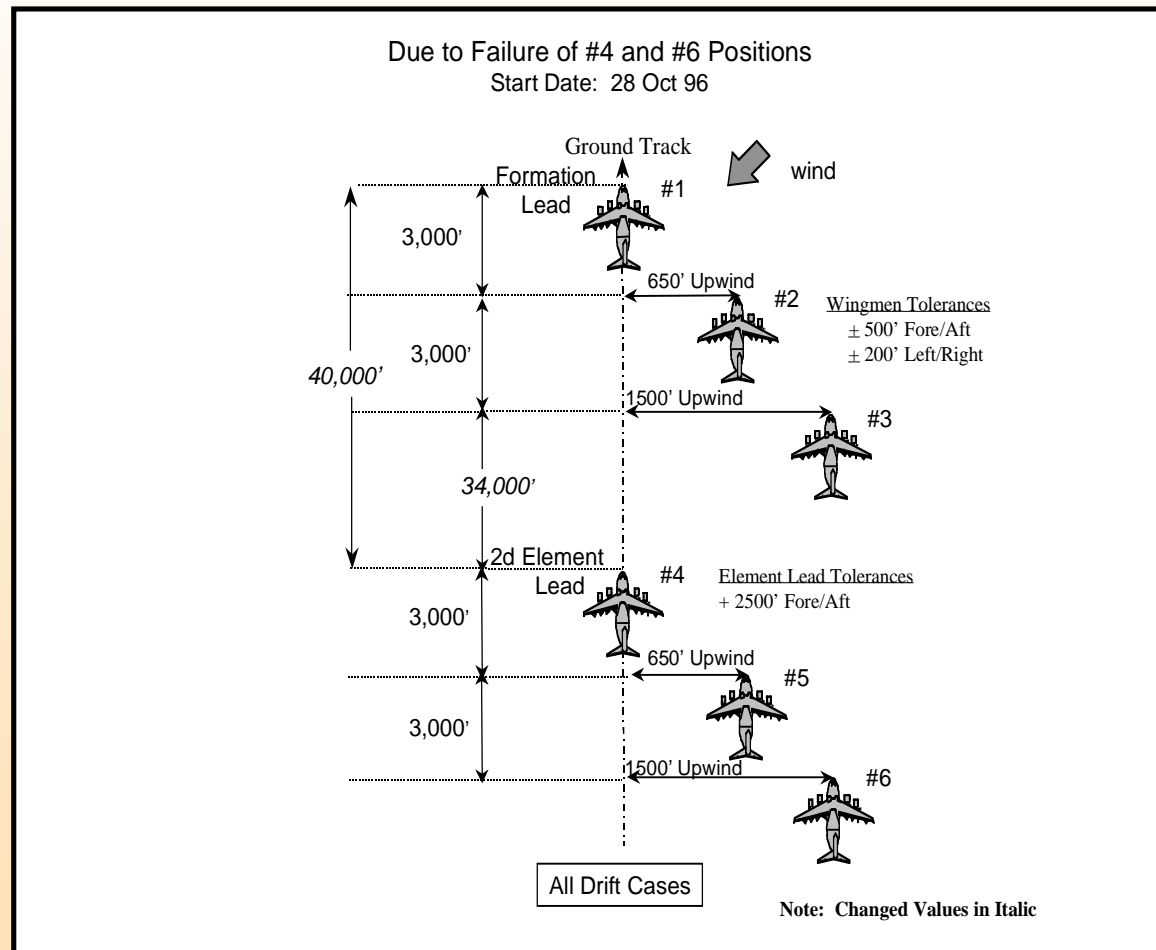
C-17 VORTICES





C-17 PERSONNEL FORMATION AIRDROP GEOMETRY

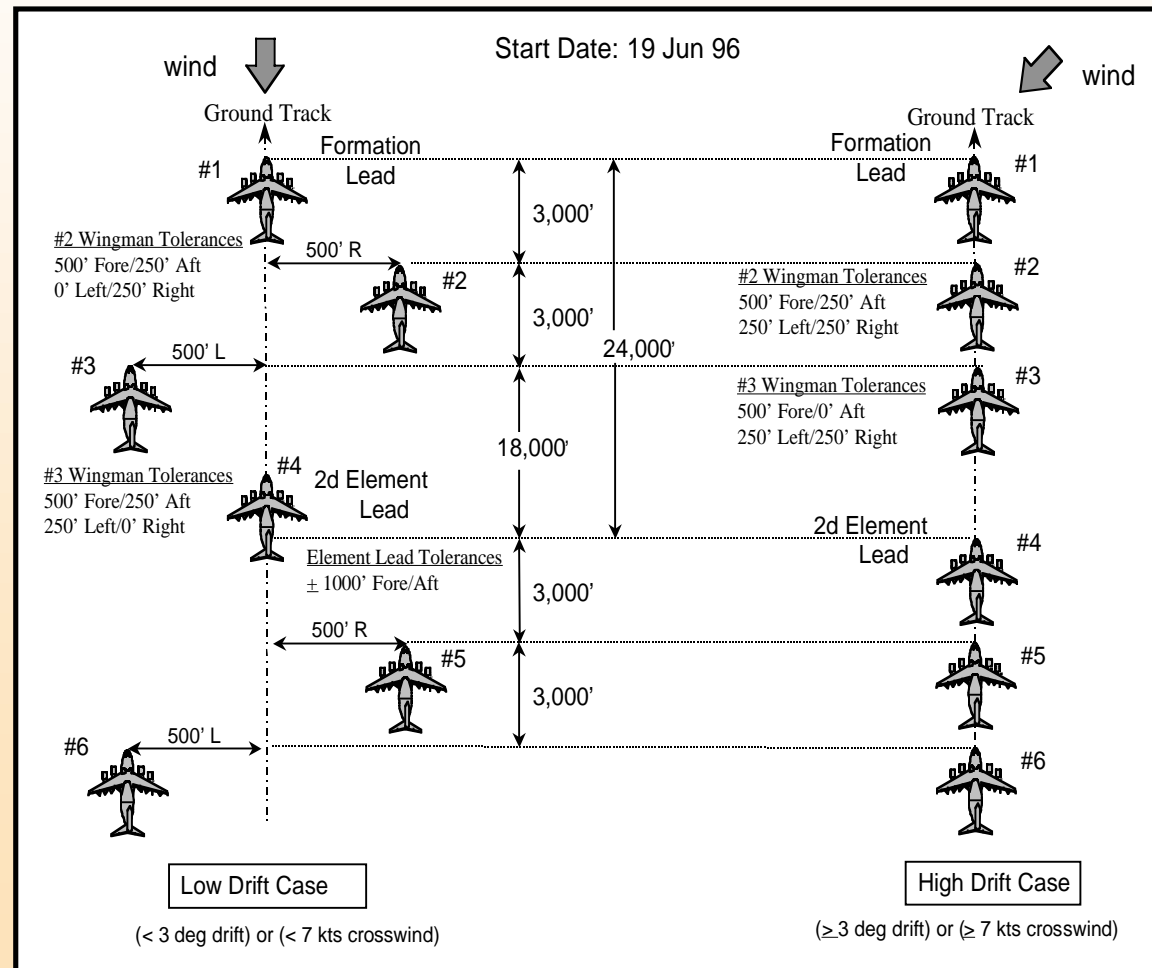
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C-17 PERSONNEL FORMATION AIRDROP GEOMETRY

REVISION 0





SIMULATIONS STILL EVOLVING

- **Theory without data at the outset**
- **Computer simulation at Wright Labs**
 - Strength and persistence “guesstimates”
 - Parachute trajectories not realistic
- **LIDAR measurements yield some data**
- **Enhanced simulation started at AFIT**
 - “Slices” of the vortex tubes modeled
 - USA help with parachute trajectories



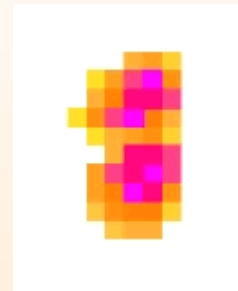
THAAD HIT-TO-KILL

- One challenge is to identify where you want to hit, and guide to that point using:
 - Radar information
 - *A priori* knowledge
 - Target image
- Determine the orientation of the target in the image with time to guide to the “sweet spot”



TARGET IMAGES (EARLY)

- Early End Game: - only long axis identifiable



- Later - nose and tail distinguishable

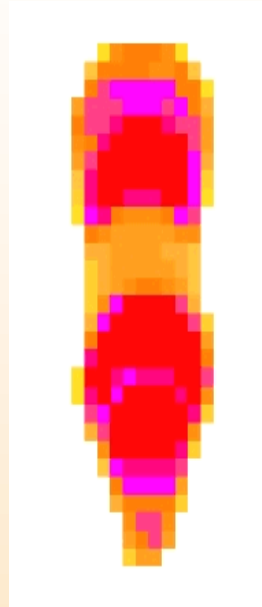


Simulated Images (no background)



TARGET IMAGES (LATE)

- Last chance for a nose-tail change in aimpoint



- Last Image before target expands beyond field of view

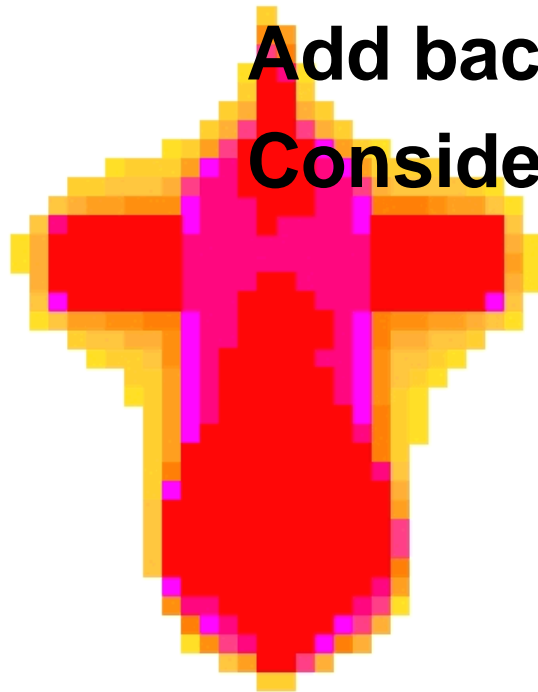


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THAAD ONGOING WORK

Add backgrounds to Images
Consider targets with fins



**Analytic models and digital and hardware in the loop simulations
are looking ahead to Flight-09 and Flight-10**



Boeing F-22 Live Fire Test Evaluation

Pre-test Prediction

Test Produced Unexpected Damage

Test Conditions Reconciled with Model

Good Post-test Agreement



F-22 Live Fire Test Coverage



Live Fire Test 4, F-22 Test Article



Live Fire Test 4, F-22 Analysis Model

Top Panel



Live Fire Test 4, F-22 Event in Progress



Live Fire Test 4, F-22 Damage to Keelson



Live Fire Test 4, F-22 Damage to Keelson



Live Fire Test 4, F-22

Conclusions

- **Pre-test analysis was used to design the experiment**
 - assisted in shot-line selection
 - allowed omission of aft boom from test saving \$100K + time
- **Post-test analysis**
 - demonstrated capability to predict extent of damage
 - predicted impulse within 5% best - 30% worst
- **Insights gained in the process**
 - analysis tools are capable of evaluating hydrodynamic ram events in complex structures.
 - the behavior of the fuel tank is sensitive to the boundary conditions

How do the real world boundary conditions compare to the modeled and tested condition ?



Don't Worry So Much About VV&A

- Focus on why, not just how M&S is being used
- Traditional VV&A works best for interpolation
- In research and testing, we are often extrapolating
 - In these cases VV&A comes with repeated use
- “Unaccredited” models can produce great insights



WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE!



- Earlier involvement
- M&S in IPTs
- TEMPS that pay close attention to how M&S is used:
 - OT&E and LFT&E will be planned with models
 - Pre-test predictions and test data will be reconciled
- CAD/CAM to vulnerability model links
- OT&E events planned and predictive with model runs
- Continuously improve models with test results

Budgets for M&S



STRONG DOT&E SUPPORT FOR M&S



- My own experience
- Simulation **T**est and **E**valuation **P**rocess
- Critical to future success
- Integrating M&S and T&E

UNDERSTANDING: INSIGHT NOT OVERSIGHT